



Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116 - Expedited Procedure
Examining Group 3712

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Title : MACHINE TOOL

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 19, 2004,
please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 19, 2004,
applicants hereby submit the enclosed papers including an
Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116.

The required fees are calculated below:

Total Claims	<u>8</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u>0</u>	\$0.00
Independent	<u>5</u>	-	<u>4</u>	=	<u>1</u>	<u>\$84.00</u>
TOTAL FEE DUE:						<u>\$84.00</u>

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE THIS FEE AND ANY OTHER FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 19-2586, REFERENCING ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 0071/007001. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS PAPER IS ENCLOSED. THIS IS A GENERAL AUTHORIZATION EXCLUDING ONLY PAYMENT OF THE ISSUE FEE.

Respectfully submitted,



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Date: April 19, 2004

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